



Annie Special

Extra-curricular activities during
week commencing 16 July 2018

Monday

NO CLUBS including homework club

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Programming Club

Art Club

Jazz Band

Junior Jazz Band

Public Speaking Club

Homework Club

Friday

KS4&5 Composition Workshop

*All clubs run from 3:15-4:30pm with
the exception of KS4 Latin which
finishes at 5:20pm, and Philosophy
Club which runs from 3:10-4:00pm*

Review from the Headteacher

On Monday I had the pleasure of watching our 2018 production: Annie. I've said it every year but I can't see this year's performance being bettered! I was so involved that I was unconsciously swaying along, and when I became conscious of the extent of my swaying I continued in spite of my typically reserved nature. (As a fully-fledged, card carrying dad dancer I normally stop at nodding along to a different beat!)

I had no choice, I was overcome by the infectious joy and enthusiasm of the cast in what can only be described as an incredibly professional show. Credit and thanks to Ms Clifton, Mr Pate and the other staff who helped behind the scenes. They help mould the clay but as the old adage goes, you work with what you've got and there is certainly a lot of talent at BFS. What's most pleasing of all is that in the face of genuine and profuse praise from all quarters the cast remain humble. They are of course proud of their achievement yet understand that the fantastic outcome was the result of months of hard-work and effort. That for me is the BFS way.

If you didn't see it then you missed out! Make sure you come along next year!

Ben Sillince
Acting Headteacher



It is still possible to purchase the professional photographs of the cast and their performance.
Please visit <http://www.brucefosterphotography.co.uk/f950603808>



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Staff Comments

Congratulations to the cast of Annie for putting on a fantastic show. It has been a pleasure to work with such a talented and supportive group of students. The standing ovation was thoroughly deserved- well done everyone! *Ms Clifton*

Annie was such a fantastic showcase of the hardworking and talented students at BFS. It was great to see them working together, having fun and pulling off a brilliant performance. *Ms Davies*

I was truly astounded to see more of the fabulous creative talent beyond the classroom of many of the students I teach! *Ms Dawson*

So lovely to see a cast so representative of our BFS cohort come together to perform a truly magical, musical delight. *Mrs Hill*

I think it was my favourite show so far. I loved it. So wonderful to see so many students involved, having fun and so talented. I was in awe of them! *Mrs Sillince*

The students sang beautifully and everyone, main character or not, gave their all! I loved it! *Ms Burrell*

Annie was an incredible performance, with spectacular singing, amazing dancing and magnificent acting! *Ms Pearson*

A member of the audience whom I spoke to during the interval said she would much prefer to watch this performance to the Hippodrome, the quality was so high. Another, returning to the very hot auditorium for which I apologised said that nothing would keep him away: it was superb! I listened from outside and watched the comings and goings of the cast – the way they had learnt to work independently and also work as a team was really impressive. Well done! *Mrs Conway*

Some amazing acting, including some new talent as well as students we already knew were stars. I was really impressed with how slick the performance was. *Ms Huzzey*



Cast Comments

The standing ovation on the final night was magical - *Hannah Ribero* (who played Molly)

A truly wonderful experience to be a part of- *Lola Dempsey* (who played Tessie)

I enjoyed the dances and made new friends. I can't wait to audition next year- *Yanna Lapworth*, (who was an orphan)



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Student Report

On Monday the performing arts department presented their final performance of Annie, an exceptional musical production staged and musically directed by Ms Clifton and Mr Pate, and several other wonderful members of staff.

I was very proud to be part of this performance and thoroughly enjoyed acting alongside so many amazingly talented peers. We all put our hearts and souls into the performances and were told by members of the audience how professional the show seemed.

We even received a standing ovation! I look forward to finding out what the next show will be, and thank everyone who came to support us.

Mya Russell, Year 10 (who played Miss Hannigan)



Curriculum Enrichment Week

As you will have seen in recent correspondence, there are a whole host of activities taking place next week.

Please remember to make the relevant payment via your new ParentPay account (more information on this below).

Payments can be accepted for the remainder of term and are gratefully received to help us cover the costs of the additional resources provided to run the activities.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school with any Enrichment (or other) related queries.

Key dates for next week	
Please see the calendar at www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk for other important dates	
Monday 16 July 2018	Year 12 Work Experience Curriculum Enrichment Week—see letters home if not on the following trip: Battlefields PGL Beam House Silver DofE Assessed Expedition
Tuesday 17 July 2018	Year 12 Work Experience Curriculum Enrichment Week—see letters home if not on the following trip: Battlefields PGL Beam House Silver DofE Assessed Expedition
Wednesday 18 July 2018	Year 12 Work Experience Curriculum Enrichment Week—see letters home if not on the following trip: Battlefields PGL Beam House Silver DofE Assessed Expedition Gold DofE Practice Expedition
Thursday 19 July 2018	Gold DofE Practice Expedition
Friday 20 July 2018	Gold DofE Practice Expedition (finishes Sunday 22 July) Bletchley Park Trip

ParentPay

The move to ParentPay has taken place today and it is very important that all parents set up their new accounts. You have been emailed instructions on how to do this.

Existing balances in the dining hall are unaffected, but in order for parents to be able to view or top-up accounts, the ParentPay login must be activated.

Trip balances will be transferred across to ParentPay next week.

ScoPay has been disconnected from our systems, so it is vital that parents do not attempt to use this system any longer—you will not be able to access it.

Student Council Appointments

This week Mr Tolman congratulated the new members of the Whole School Council in Year 7 assembly.

It was very difficult for Mr Walker and Mr Tolman to select the new council members from the 30 plus applications they received.

Congratulations to Samuel Bartlett, Ollie Powell, Henry Taubman, Keziah Sunderland, Grace Spring-Martin, Rhia Denning, Fabian Welland, Amber Hockett and Charles Errington-Snowdon.

All presented excellent applications and will serve on the Whole School Council from September.

VEX IQ Challenge

On Wednesday Dan Bijou, Laurie Stephenson and Heath Mitchel took their robot to the first stage of the VEX IQ robotics challenge at Bristol University's Computer Science Labs. The students worked collaboratively with other schools to complete a range of challenges. All three students brought their own expertise to the problem solving challenges and designing the ideal control system. They used a combination of Python, RobotC and visual block programming, demonstrating a depth of understanding and creativity. Collaborating with students from other schools they showed themselves to be highly adaptive and excellent communicators.

We're now gearing up for the next round, which introduces autonomous control, in September. If you would like to get involved with programming and robotics then come along to Programming Club on Thursdays after school in C041. Follow all the action @BFS_DT and @BFS_CS

